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# OUTSIDER PADDLES HOME

## Lincolnshire Handicap Run On Flooded Course

### Snow Still Blocks Scottish Roads

London, Mar. 25.  
The floods which have caused havoc in south and central England for a fortnight are now falling rapidly and even in the Fen country, where thousands of acres of rich farm lands were inundated, the waters have been stemmed.

In the north of England, the position remains bad and in parts of Scotland deep snow is still blocking many roads. In the Thames, overnight falls of from four inches to a foot were reported and the rate of flow is now 9,000,000-10,000,000 gallons daily compared with 14,000,000,000 a week ago.

## Compton Mackenzie Due Today

Mr. Compton Mackenzie, the noted British author, is due to arrive by air in Hong Kong today. He is engaged in preparing a history of the great part played by India in the war.

Mr. Mackenzie's visit to Hong Kong entails a tour of the battle areas of 1941, including the so-called "Gin Drinkers" Line on the mainland and the fighting areas on the island itself, with special reference to the roles undertaken by the Indian troops of the garrison.

## UNRRA STRIKE THREAT

Shanghai, Mar. 26.  
The "China Press" reports today that 600 locally employed UNRRA personnel have voted to demand a 42 per cent increase in pay before the end of the month on the threat of a "sit-down strike" if the demands are not met.

UNRRA officials said no demands have yet been received. The "China Press" said that local employees claimed that foreign employees of UNRRA received an increase of 42 per cent in local subsistence allowance in February while the locally employed had their salaries frozen at the January level under Chinese Government economic regulations.

## "SIT-DOWN"

Singapore, Mar. 26.  
More than 600 members of the "Dallforce" underground Chinese organization opposing the Japanese during the occupation started a "sit-down strike" today at the Secretariat, in support of its demand for three and a half years' back pay from the British War Office.—Associated Press.

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## PREFABS FOR BRITAIN

London, Mar. 25.  
Swedish type houses are to be provided to give special help to rural areas, said Mr. L. J. Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, during a debate on rural housing in the House of Commons today.

## Troops Fire On Police

Patna, Bihar, Mar. 26.  
Troops opened fire on a party of police strikers moving in a police van today. One striker and two passers-by were killed.

Another report said that the troops fired when a posse of police staged a demonstration after striking. The demonstrators were moving about in a police lorry when the military opened fire, this report said.

Earlier, the entire police force of Patna had been disarmed and the reserve police confined to barracks after an incident last night when Gurkha troops were called in to break up a meeting of a section of policemen who had refused to obey the dispersal orders of their officers.

The armed police who defied the authorities last night surrounded their arms to British troops later after holding out for about three hours. The policemen did not turn up for duty this morning.

The police are said to have put forward demands for higher salaries and improved conditions.—Reuter.

## Cabinet Rumours

London, Mar. 26.  
Rumours that the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will be shifted to "take personal charge of the Cabinet plans for dealing with the economic crisis" were denied today by a high Government source.

The News Chronicle bannered a dispatch which reported that Mr. Bevin will be made the top domestic planner and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, will become Foreign Minister.

"The Cabinet at the moment has no plan for such a change. I cannot say there never will be such a change but at present it appears highly unlikely," this source said.—United Press.

## Bitter Wrangle On Atomic Energy

Lake Success, Mar. 26.  
The United Nations Atomic Energy Control Commission met behind closed doors yesterday to work out a detailed atomic control plan, but immediately fell into a bitter wrangle over how the problem should be tackled.

The United States—warning that all countries must accept "some interference" in their internal affairs—asked the Commission to start by drafting a treaty defining the powers of the proposed international control agency.

Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko protested and insisted the Commission first take up his 12 amendments to the already endorsed programme of principles written by America's Bernard Baruch.

## SOVIET READY FOR COMPROMISE

Moscow, Mar. 26.  
The United States and the Soviet Union today were reported authoritatively to be considering important concessions in their demands on Germany so as to accomplish their major aims for a German peace settlement in the Council of Foreign Ministers.

Officials were doubtful, however, that any deals were in prospect of sufficient import to produce a major agreement during the current Moscow sessions.

All indications are that the United States is willing to agree to some form of reparations from current German production to continue for a year provided it can be arranged without further cost to American taxpayers.

Reparations are believed to be the principal aim of the Soviet Union and it is believed the Kremlin would be willing to modify some other Russian demands in order to get them.

Specific indications of possible Soviet concessions have not been made clear. It is considered significant, however, that the British delegation, after Mr. Bevin's talk with Stalin, took a moderately optimistic view of the situation.—Associated Press.

## Nanking Debenture Issue

Nanking, Mar. 26.  
The National Defence Council and the Kuomintang's Central Executive Committee, in a joint meeting, passed a resolution today for the issuance of US\$300,000,000 short-term three-year debentures bearing two per cent annual interest, and US\$100,000,000 in 10-year bonds bearing six per cent annual interest.

The debentures are purchasable with Chinese dollars at the Central Bank official rate, CN\$12,000 to US\$1.

The bonds are purchasable with United States notes or dollars and deposits in other foreign currencies or gold at the official rate.

The meeting also decided to reduce the budget by CN\$140,000,000,000 and to freeze or defer until later this year CN\$85,000,000,000 expenditures.—United Press.

## Executions In Taiwan

Nanking, Mar. 26.  
More than 70 Formosans, constituting the personnel of the self-styled "People's Government," established at Kinyi, during the recent riots, were executed by the Nationalist Military authorities on March 24, Chinese press reports stated today.

The personnel included "Mayor" Chen Fu-lao, "Chief of Staff" Loyi, "Minister of Propaganda" Hsu Hsien-chung, and "Commissioner of Police" Chen Yung-tao.

## COMET RESCUE

Kure, Mar. 26.  
British headquarters today announced that HMS Comet had rescued the Japanese crew of the disabled Kohku Maru after the vessel had radioed an SOS while in the Japan Sea.

The Comet has just arrived from Tsingtau, when the Royal Navy dispatched her to the rescue.—United Press.

## Paraguay Civil War Skirmishes

Asuncion, Mar. 26.  
Unarmed sources said today that there was intensive patrolling by Loyalist and revolutionary groups in northern Paraguay and indicated that large-scale fighting appeared imminent.

A Government spokesman said so far there has been no large-scale battle although there have been skirmishes south of the rebel-held city of Concepcion, 150 miles north of here.

President Morinigo indicated that he had rejected the peace proposal by the Rebels.

The rebel radio station, in a proclamation to the Army and people, denied Morinigo's charge that the revolt was inspired by Communists and their allies. It said the leaders of the rebellion were not of any political party.—United Press.

Offensive Begins  
Asuncion, Paraguay, Mar. 26.  
Semi-official quarters say that Government Forces have launched a land, water and air offensive against the Paraguayan rebels.

The reports give no indication of the number of troops involved, but say the ground troops are supported by planes and river launches.

Earlier informed sources reported intensive patrolling by both sides, indicating that large-scale fighting is imminent.—United Press.

## 131 Miners Trapped By Explosion

Centralia, Illinois, Mar. 26.  
A gas or dust explosion trapped 131 miners 500 feet underground in the No. 5 mine of the Centralia Coal Company here yesterday, and reports indicate the death toll will be heavy.

Shortly after midnight—nearly nine hours after the blast—rescue workers and officials said 16 miners were known to be dead. Two bodies had been recovered and one rescue worker said he had counted 14 bodies within the mine.

## N.Z. SHOCK

Wellington, Mar. 26.  
A severe earthquake followed by two 60-foot tidal waves hit the east coast of the Gisborne district today washing houses into the sea and demolishing a hotel.

Twenty bridges were wrecked as sea water rushed down coastal highways. Many residents had narrow escapes.—United Press.

## Letter Found After 32 Years

(By "Paul Pry")  
A letter which was posted in England in 1915 has suddenly popped up in Hong Kong. It was discovered when a crate was opened in Wellington Barracks yesterday morning.

The letter, which is dated April 1, 1915, was addressed to a soldier on active service in World War I. He was then a Private in the "P" Company of the London Scottish Regiment, which at the time was serving with the B.E.F. in France.

Oddly enough, also in the straw packing in the case was a number of German newspapers dated 1940, full of Luftwaffe versions of the blitz on Liverpool.

The letter was opened this morning and the soldier was taken prisoner or killed during the First World War, and that for some odd reason it was never destroyed.

The envelope is in fairly good condition when one remembers that it has been lying around for the past 32 years. Unfortunately, either mice or cockroaches have chewed several holes in the cover and the letter is almost illegible. It looks like "Lanham."

How it came to be in the crate cannot be established locally. Arrangements are being made by the local correspondent of one of the leading dailies at home for it to be forwarded to London in an attempt to trace either the addressee or his 1915 correspondents.

## Carson Chang Rumours

Nanking, Mar. 26.  
Rumours were circulated in Nanking this afternoon that the Social Democrat Party leader, Carson Chang, will succeed Sun Fo as President of the Legislative Yuan if the latter becomes President of the State Council.

The Peking newspaper, "Shih Pao," banner-lined an unconfirmed report that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek plans to leave shortly on an important visit to London and Washington.—United Press.

## TOKYO QUAKE

Tokyo, Mar. 26.  
An earthquake which the Japanese Central Meteorological Observatory described as of "light intensity" shook the Tokyo area for two minutes beginning at 0444 today. The shock was strong enough to stop clocks.

The Observatory said no damage was reported. The epicentre was in the sea off Kashima in Ibaraki prefecture, 50 miles northeast from Tokyo.—United Press.

## ODER RIVER DYKES CRACK

Berlin, Mar. 25.  
Ten Germans were drowned when ice and flood waters from the swollen Oder River burst through a dyke and flooded the village of See-low, east of Berlin. The river dyke collapsed under pressure of the torrent.

Thousands of refugees from the eastern territories resettled in this area a year ago and are now evacuated and homeless again.

Northwest of See-low, between the towns of Wriezen and Friedland, where there is a chain of villages all submerged in the flood, the Oder has returned to the bed in which it flowed two hundred years ago, at a spot only 25 miles from Berlin.

Berlin newspapers said tonight that over 17,000 people have been made homeless by the floods, which in some low-lying areas are five meters deep.

There have been sporadic outbreaks of looting in evacuated homesteads by thieves operating in small boats, and the provincial government today warned that all illegal entry into the abandoned areas will be punishable with terms of forced labour.

Cut Off  
Hundreds of people who failed to heed the hourly warnings broadcast from Potsdam are said to be cut off in the villages and hamlets.

The waters, though no longer rising, are expected to reach Friedland, which was already evacuated tonight.

The floods are an economic blow to Berlin as rich crops of vegetables, sugar beet, wheat and potatoes normally come from the Oder farmlands.—Reuter.

Floods In Poland  
Warsaw, Mar. 26.  
Floods in Poland have washed away up to 30 bridges. On Friday, two bridges were swept from the Vistula between Warsaw and Prague, hurling seven persons to their death in the flooding Vistula, says a belated report.

In Silesia, the population was called out for a general fight against flood ravages.

This news was delayed by washed out communications to Warsaw.—United Press.

## 200 Feared Dead

Berlin, Mar. 26.  
The ice-clogged Oder River, its dykes built by Frederick the Great, cracking under the strain, flooded the heart of Germany's "bread basket" today as it swirled across farmlands towards the Baltic Sea.

Thousands of persons were homeless and many were drowned trying to save their possessions. The unofficial death toll stood at 200 although many of these may have escaped. Upwards of 20,000 fled their homes in the face of the worst German flood in 150 years.

At Wriezen, 40 miles north-east of Berlin, the flood waters were six and a half feet deep in the market place and the town's 8,000 inhabitants have evacuated.

Hundreds of refugees were brought to Berlin where political leaders appealed to the people for food and shelter.

The Oder Valley had long been the centre of Germany's farm sector where a large share of foodstuffs are grown. Berlin depends on this sector for its produce.

The flood undoubtedly was a severe blow to the hopes of the Soviet zone for bumper vegetable crops this spring and many agricultural exports estimate it will be six months before the farmlands lose their marshy appearance and be capable of producing again.—United Press.

## THE WEATHER

The anticyclone is moving eastward and leaving behind it a mass of cold air over the North Sea. The deep depression to the NE of Japan continues to move NW. Pressure is relatively low over Central China and over the southern regions generally.

Today's Forecast—Moderate E and SE winds, showers from easterly, offshore; moderate, partly cloudy, becoming cloudy; morning haze or fog; warm.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum: 71.6 deg. F. Minimum: 61.1 deg. F. Sunshine: 10.7 hours.

Rainfall: Nil. Total since January 1—151.5 mm., as against an average of 105.5 mm.

Readings at 10 a.m.—1022.7 1019.6 m.b. Bar. Humidity 73 68 deg. F. Dew Point 55 55 deg. F. Wind Direction E E by S Wind Force 16 20 knots.

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## Six-Year Term For Woman

Wan Kwok-ying, the mother of a seven-months old baby, who seemed more anxious that she should have the custody of her child while serving her sentence than she was over her own plight, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Justice Gould at the Criminal Sessions to six years' imprisonment with hard labour on being unanimously found guilty on three counts of demanding money with menaces.

Mr. A. J. Clifford prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, assisted by Sub-Inspector Downman. Accused was not legally represented.

Outlining the case for the Crown, Mr. Clifford said that the complainants, Lo Chi-ching and Lo Li-ting, were the owners of three tea houses—the Kam Ming, the Nam Hing and the Tung Hing.

On Jan. 15, a letter was received through the post demanding \$1,000, which was to be placed in a letter box on the stairway of 19 Tung Choi Street. There was a threat that if the money was not paid, a hand grenade would be thrown. The letter was signed in the name of the "Guerrilla Youth Association."

On Jan. 21, when Lo Chi-ching was in the Tung Hing Tea-house,

Lo Chi-ching asked accused to wait, while he went to look for his elder brother. When the latter returned, accused was asked who had requested her to deliver the letter. She replied that she had been asked to do so by two men, whom she had met in the vicinity of the Railway bridge in Argyle Street.

The brothers told accused that as it was Chinese New Year, they were short of money themselves and suggested that she take them to see the two armed men. Accused thereupon took them to a spot opposite the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., where she asked them to wait while she went into a lane. After one or two minutes, she came out again and said that the armed men refused to reduce the amount demanded.

After a considerable amount of bargaining, the brothers eventually paid \$200 to accused, who disappeared once more up the lane. On her return, the party returned to Mongkok.

On the way the brothers asked accused where she lived. She gave her address as 20 Sai Yeung Choi Street, 2nd floor. As they passed the Nam Hing Tea house, one of the brothers went inside and arranged for a folk to shadow accused. This folk lost accused in the crowd.

About a week later, as Lo Chi-ching was going to his shop, he met accused in the street. Accused handed him a letter in which \$50 was demanded. Reference was made to the \$200 which had previously been paid. When asked who had requested her to deliver the letter, accused said she did not know. She later said that she had been asked to deliver the letter by an out-patient at the Kowloon Hospital.

After Professor Ma Kiam, Hong Kong University, had testified regarding the handwriting on certain documents, handed to him and given his opinion that all were written by one and the same person, the two complainants, Lo Chi-ching and Lo Li-ting, were called. Evidence was also given by Mak Lin, Chung Kwok-ying, Siu Chung-ying, So Yu-shun, Sze Fook and Sub-Inspector Downman.

Accused, who elected to make a long statement from the dock, related how, under the threat of death, she had been forced to deliver the threatening letters by two armed men. Explaining the money in her possession, accused said that her husband, who was a hawker, had saved some \$153. This amount was taken by her to buy rice, firewood and other things for the New Year.

Accused said that she had sent Chung Kwok-ying, one of the

## "ON LEE" SALVAGE: BUT ONLY FOR THE SCRAPHEAP

(By Barbara Price)

### Coming Events

March 27—Helena May Ins. Lecture by H.G.W. Woodhead, 5.45 p.m.  
March 28—Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp., annual meeting 11.30 a.m.  
March 28—Peak Club meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
March 28—Meeting of civilian and Service chaplains, 11 a.m.  
March 28—Bank of Canton, annual meeting, 3 p.m.  
March 31—China Entertainment & Investment Co., Ltd., annual meeting, noon.  
March 31—British Legion meeting, Vol. Hqs., 5.30 p.m.  
April 12—China Light & Power Co., Ltd., annual meeting, noon.  
April 5 and 7—Easter Race Meeting.  
April 21—H.K. Land Investment & Agency Ltd., shareholders' meeting, noon.

prosecution witnesses, \$10 out of the balance of this sum.

On conclusion of Mr. Justice Gould's summing up, the jury retired for about 15 minutes. On their return, the Foreman announced that they had unanimously found accused guilty on all three counts.

Before passing sentence, Mr. Justice Gould asked accused if she had anything to say. Accused said that she wanted to have custody of her seven-month-old baby.

Mr. Clifford said that when first arrested, accused did not want the baby, but now wished to have it back. He understood that the father had taken it to Un Long. Mr. Clifford suggested that accused submit a petition for the baby through the Prison Authorities and perhaps the S.C.A. would assist in the matter. The police believed there were two other women connected with the case and added that accused did not look the criminal type.

In passing sentence, Mr. Justice Gould told accused that the offence for which she had been convicted was a very serious one and that if a man were convicted of the same offence, the sentence would not be less than 12 years. Mr. Justice Gould said that he found it difficult to believe that she had engineered the whole plot herself or that she had the power or intention of backing up the threats made. She was sentenced to six years' imprisonment with hard labour.

### Noma To Appeal To MacArthur

The "China Mail" understands from a well-informed source that Colonel Noma Kennosuke, who was head of the Gendarmes in Hong Kong for a greater part of the Occupation and on whom sentence of death by hanging was passed by No. 7 War Crimes Court on Feb. 24, intends to submit a Petition to General MacArthur in the event of the reply to his Petition to SEAC Command being unfavourable.

Colonel Noma, who was present at No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday to testify at the trial of Sgt. Major Ogasawara Haruji and Sgt. Kawai Hisao, had a long conversation with Mr. R. S. Smith.

On a sandy stretch of beach a few miles east of Kowloon, the wrecked hull of the one-time river steamer "On Lee" is being lifted onto a shallow beach this morning after having been submerged for more than two years in a repair berth in Talkoo Dockyards.

Because she is the seventh major vessel to be cleared from the harbour and because salvage operations on her are typical of work being done here, I went aboard the lifting craft yesterday to investigate the process involved in raising 550 tons of steel from the floor of the bay.

Accompanying me was Captain W.A. Doust, chief salvage officer in Hong Kong and one of the world's foremost salvage authorities. The captain was recently awarded a Legion of Merit award by the U.S. War Department for his work with the American forces in the Mediterranean.

Sent to the bottom by an American bomb, the fate of the "On Lee" was similar to that of many other craft in Hong Kong Harbour. She was hit because of her location at the dockyards. Wedged in the berth, she was holding up important repair work.

Work on the vessel began on Saturday. By yesterday morning, 106 working hours had been put into the job. Once started, a salvage officer explained, lifting operations must continue unceasingly or all efforts are wasted.

Consequently, the crew of 22 Chinese on each of the two lifting craft and their officers, William Lunning and S.P. Malone, worked for 30 hours without pausing during one phase of the job.

First headache encountered by salvage men in the case of sunken-ships is ascertaining the depth of mud in which the vessel has settled. This is investigated by a trained diver and often requires numerous trips to the bottom.

When the mud level is established, the diver cuts a sufficiently large hole under the ship to permit a pilot wire to be extended. This is done by means of a "Tumeling Nozzle," a powerful water hose.

Sometimes, when steel must be cut, an "Oxy-Arc" or underwater cutter is used. This device cuts the steel electrically and when operated by a skilled diver cuts steel faster than a acetylene torch above water, Captain Doust said.

### Girl's Story In Theft Case

An application for permission to treat as a hostile witness, Ho So, a female witness, was successfully made by DSI Johnstone to Mr. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday at the continued hearing of the case in which five European members of the crew of the m/v "Hickory Brook" were charged with stealing six drums of lubricating oil and five cylinders of Freon gas from the ship on March 10.

DSI Johnstone based his application on the grounds that the evidence being given by the witness was contradictory to the statement she made to the Police; that she stayed with one of the accused on Tuesday night; and had been receiving money from him.

In her evidence, Ho stated that she had seen all the five accused on board the ship during the two periods she was on board. She declared that she saw Hui Wai-man, tailor, putting \$500 on the bed of Blair on a certain Sunday, and she had remarked jokingly, "Isn't it funny for you to give money to Europeans instead of the Europeans giving money to you?"

Witness was cross-examined at length by Mr. Marcus de Silva (appearing for Donald, Mannors, Calvert and Blair). In reply to one question, she declared that she made the statement to the Police voluntarily. She denied that she was threatened with prosecution as a prostitute if she did not give evidence for the prosecution.

Evidence was also given by two Indian fireman and an Indian cook, after which hearing was further adjourned to April 2.

Defendants are R. Donald, 37, second engineer; R. Mannors, 34, fourth engineer; J.A. Calvert, 29, third engineer; D.J. Mander, 35, second officer; and R.V. Blair, 28, electrical engineer.

From the lifting craft which flank either side of the submerged vessel, cables up to nine inches wide are placed under the belly of the ship. These craft were designed by Captain Doust several years ago when he was Deputy Director of Salvage for the Admiralty.

The actual raising of the steel is a two-way operation contingent on tides and buoyancy of the lifting craft when water is pumped out.

With the wires secured during low tide, the incoming tide lifts the vessel up to six feet from the bottom, Captain Doust pointed out. At the same time, 17 filled tanks in the Lifting Craft discharge 918 tons of water, boosting the ship additional feet.

In the case of the "On Lee," she was towed a total of 1½ miles from Talkoo to the Kowloon side. Each tide lifted her closer to the surface.

When the vessel reaches shallow water, she is pumped of water. Sometimes ships are found to be in sufficiently good condition to be restored.

Captain Doust said ships such as the "On Lee" which are found to be beyond repair will be sold for scrap. The sum received just about covers salvage operations, he said.

## Readers' Letters

### Taxation

Sir,—From the contents of his letter, one can only assume that "One of the Wallowers" has wallowed too long in it, and as a quaint English saying has it, he is still suffering from a smol of the barmalid's apron.

Since, presumably, taxation is a matter for the civilian authorities, representations should be made to the same source. If Mr. Wallower's wine merchant charged him too much, he wouldn't complain to the baker, or would he? However, he may rest in peace in his cups as the liquor tax will be well-matured at home. He may also like to know that had this tax been considered by the Military Authorities, were they in power, the civilian would have had a fair deal.

It has yet to be proved that two injustices make a fair deal, neither has it been proved that double taxation makes a good citizen. However much Mr. Wallower may wallow in old-fashioned prejudices, the serviceman is a citizen (perchance a better one than some civilians) and entitled to the same rights and privileges. If the services are to suffer double taxation, then so should every Englishman whether he lives at Home or abroad. Let us pay taxes on liquor to the local Government at local rates; and let the civilian pay the same tax at Home rates to the Home Government for every bottle he buys in Hong Kong. Then perhaps he wouldn't bath in it quite so often! A serviceman envies the Hong Kong civilian only so far as the matter of salaries are concerned. He is amazed to find the local "tailor" has a great reluctance to part with anything except to gather greater profits.

Hong Kong memories must be remarkably short, since only in 1941 many able-bodied British civilians were pleading before the local Military Tribunals that they were sick, indispensable to business, etc., in order to avoid military service. As far as rehabilitation now is concerned, they are only moaning because instead of being nursed, they are having to fend for themselves out of their own pockets. Perhaps one could remind them that while the Serviceman was wallowing in privation conditions in Burma, sweating in the deserts, and freezing in the Arctic, he was still paying income tax. When held by Axis powers, the serviceman still paid income tax. I'm positive that Mr. Wallower didn't do such things. If he did, he might reasonably expect assistance, but if he didn't, he should stop whimpering like a spoilt baby. Because, once in a while, the services come before the civilian, Wallowers and Dodgers should, instead of talking piffle, remember we like to live in comfort and peace and we pay for it, why shouldn't we?

Let me pass now to the Serviceman's "misplaced envy" of the local civilian. I must confess I am a bit of you have various difficulties such as housing, lack of funds etc., but no more so than we shall have to face on returning home. Surely the envy is well placed whilst I have been compelled to serve, I have personally always envied civilians for their homes, their children, their way of life. Another opinion of your correspondent that I cannot reconcile myself to is that the younger are groups (I presume he alludes to the lower ranks) are receiving higher pay and many more amenities than they would at home. May I ask just what are these "many more amenities"? Certainly the serviceman has privileges abroad that he will have at home. In every street, but "many more" amenities—our privileges of cheap food, cigarettes etc., not balanced by the high prices of entertainment and various other commodities? Do we get higher wages? Another remark that I don't know if it is the fallacy that it is.

Finally I must make a strong protest against the use of general criticism that some correspondent appears to be making. "Wallow in," General criticism is "and must always be destructive. In suggesting that the idea of taxing the NAAFI is a bit slow when Britain needs her young men at home; and that the Navy has been compelled to take a greater number of officers from the lower deck, surely show the statement that "so many have chosen to sign on" to be the fallacy that it is.

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### PRINCIPAL TENANT FINED

A fine of \$200, or 10 days' hard labour, was imposed on Luk Sau-ying, 3, Stewart Road, first floor, by Mr. Salnabury at Central yesterday for failing to put up a notice in a conspicuous place on the premises as the rent payable by her to landlord; for failing to serve notice. On Lam Hui-chau, a sub-tenant, the amount of rent payable by him to her; and for charging Lam \$20 rent for a cubicle, which was over 20 per cent in excess of the rental paid by her to the landlord.

According to S/L Moss, she paid \$40 rent to the landlord for her flat but charged four sub-tenants \$20, \$10, \$20 and \$15, making a total of \$65.

She was given four days to pay the fine.

### BOUND OVER

Charged of the larceny by finding of a Naval Dockyard identity badge, Yau Kau was bound over by Mr. d'Almeida (Central) yesterday in the sum of \$25 for 12 months. He said that he found the badge while cleaning out some ashes and sold it to Chiu Ching for 80 cents.

Chiu was charged with being in possession of stolen property, knowing it to have been illegally obtained, and sentenced to three months' hard labour.

### HEALTH FIGURES

During the period March 16-23 there were 69 cases, with 34 deaths, of tuberculosis in the Colony and 51 cases (8 deaths) of cerebro-spinal meningitis. There were also 5 cases (5 deaths) of smallpox, 13 cases (3 deaths) of malaria and three cases (one death) of diphtheria. Deaths registered from all causes totalled 280 and births 560.

## Readers' Letters

we? But then perhaps, Mr. Wallower is not a Government employee.

Mr. Wallower would brand us all because of one or two but has he forgotten the parable of the lost Sheep? Would he like to be reminded of the local man who says to his friend the next morning "What a stinking head I've got!" "Stinking heads" arise from too much strong drink and if Mr. Wallower can't take it, he shouldn't drink, and above all, he should not wallow in it.

L. S. G. C.

### Envy

Sir,—I, being a serviceman, cannot let the letter from your correspondent go unquipped. "One of the Wallowers" was without raising his voice in protest. Firstly, I must thank your correspondent for the suggestion that we should air our grievances through the correct channels, etc. I must, however, point out that it is hardly likely that a serviceman would let his privileges be flung aside and not protest through the Service Channels and papers at home. May I suggest that L.S.G.C. have a look at the many letters from other "Wallowers" on the subject of taxation, felt that some word from a serviceman was necessary to complete the picture? No doubt he and many other servicemen have made known their opinions on the matter in the correct way.

Let me pass now to the Serviceman's "misplaced envy" of the local civilian. I must confess I am a bit of you have various difficulties such as housing, lack of funds etc., but no more so than we shall have to face on returning home. Surely the envy is well placed whilst I have been compelled to serve, I have personally always envied civilians for their homes, their children, their way of life. Another opinion of your correspondent that I cannot reconcile myself to is that the younger are groups (I presume he alludes to the lower ranks) are receiving higher pay and many more amenities than they would at home. May I ask just what are these "many more amenities"? Certainly the serviceman has privileges abroad that he will have at home. In every street, but "many more" amenities—our privileges of cheap food, cigarettes etc., not balanced by the high prices of entertainment and various other commodities? Do we get higher wages? Another remark that I don't know if it is the fallacy that it is.

Finally I must make a strong protest against the use of general criticism that some correspondent appears to be making. "Wallow in," General criticism is "and must always be destructive. In suggesting that the idea of taxing the NAAFI is a bit slow when Britain needs her young men at home; and that the Navy has been compelled to take a greater number of officers from the lower deck, surely show the statement that "so many have chosen to sign on" to be the fallacy that it is.

## AUSTIN AVENUE ROBBERY ARRESTS

How the patience of SI R. E. Oliver and Chinese detective Lo Wan resulted in the arrest of three men who, armed with an imitation pistol, were alleged to be responsible for highway robberies in Austin Avenue was related to Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday when Yim Ka-sam, 26, Lam Fai alias Cheung Kwan, 22, and Ho Suk-leung, 26, were charged on three counts of robbery by DSI J. M. Forrest.

The second accused was additionally charged with the possession of an imitation pistol, and the first and third defendants with aiding and abetting him.

According to DSI Forrest, armed hold-ups in the Austin Avenue district were so prevalent during February that special police patrols were assigned for duty there. On Feb. 24, at about 11 p.m., a patrol (SI Oliver, Detective Lo Wan and a Chinese constable) was waiting in a garden behind the China Light and Power Co. when a Chinese, dressed in dark clothing, was seen to approach. This man went between the latrine and the sub-station and, after bending down, left the spot.

SI Oliver emerged from his hiding place, investigated and discovered a wooden pistol painted black. He left the "pistol" where he found it, and went back to await developments. Half an hour later two Chinese, also dressed in black, approached. Going then behind the China Light and Power Co. to retrieve the "pistol" from its hiding place, SI Oliver and Detective Lo Wan came out into the open and arrested both. On a search, the pistol was found in the pocket of the second accused.

Ambush  
SI Oliver, describing the events leading to the arrest, stated that the same ambush was laid the previous night without success. After the two accused had been apprehended, they were taken to Tsimtsui, where the case was handed over to SI J. W. MacDonald White who was attached to the C.I.D.

After corroborating SI Oliver's evidence, Detective Lo Wan said that upon arrival at the Station, the two accused took SI White and himself to Room 218, Tai Ah Boarding House where he pointed to a space between the wall and wash basin as the hiding place of a pawn ticket. A second visit resulted in the arrest of the third accused.

The following day, accompanied by SI White and the first two accused, he went to the Tung Fook Pawnshop of 223 Shanghai Street where a platinum ring was recovered. They then went to the Loong Sang Goldsmith at 223 Shanghai Street where a gold ring was found. From there they went to the Hung Cheong Pawnshop, 694 Shanghai Street, and recovered a lady's gold wrist-watch.

At the Ki Cheong Pawnshop, 631 Shanghai Street, they took back a metal wristwatch. All the property had since been identified.

Three Hold-Ups  
Choi Mo-ching, a female, testified that while walking with a friend in Austin Avenue at about 8 p.m. on Feb. 20 they were held up by four men, one of whom held what appeared to be a pistol, and robbed of \$30 odd. This evidence was corroborated by Lai Chik-kuang, cashier of the Kowloon Godowns.

Two married women, Tang Sau-fong and Chan Yuk-ying, said they were walking around that district at about 8.30 p.m. on Feb. 21 when they were stopped by four men, one of whom held what looked like a pistol, and robbed of a gold wristwatch, a platinum ring, two gold rings and \$8.

Lai Yan-cheung, who was with a lady friend at about 8 p.m. the same night in the same district, stated that two men approached them from the front and two from the rear. At the point of what they took to be a pistol, they were stripped of \$80, a wrist-watch, and some jewellery. Defendants were committed to stand trial at the April Sessions.

Money Mart  
There was no change in the tone of the money market yesterday, with speculators continuing to show no interest.

Gold, as usual, fluctuated within two or three points. Opening at \$271.76 a tact, it closed at \$270.75.

Piastres started off at \$10.02 per 100, went up to \$11.05, dropped to \$10.80, and closed at \$10.90.

Chinese National Currency opened at 39 cents for future and 44½ cents for spot (for CN\$1,000) and closed at 38½ cents and 44 cents respectively.

U.S. dollars continued steady at \$4.88. Sterling was stronger at \$14.61; and Australian pounds also made a slight advance to \$12.54.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE DIVIDEND  
The Directors of Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., announce that the amount of credit of profit and loss account for the period Sept. 1st, 1946 to December 31st, 1946, amounted to \$705,382.32 which added to the sum of \$32,385.64 brought forward from the last account leaves \$737,767.96 available for appropriation.

At the forthcoming annual meeting of shareholders the directors will recommend that this sum be appropriated as follows: To pay a dividend of \$1 per share—\$200,000; To transfer to provision for taxation & contingencies—\$280,000; to transfer to provision for war losses—\$338,405.50 to carry forward—\$29,762.07. Total \$737,767.96.

At 5.45 p.m. today, Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, C.B.E., will give a lecture in the Helena May Institute, Garden Road, on "The Courts of Old Shanghai." Tickets at \$2 each may be obtained in advance from the Hon. Secretary, and a limited number will be available for sale at the door on the evening of the lecture.

The Sir James Oxberry Lodge of the R.A.O.B., G.L.E., meets on Friday at 8 p.m. in the China Fleet Club. All members are welcome.

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British Legion  
Having received the necessary authority from headquarters, it is now possible to re-start the local branch of the British Legion, and all ex-active Servicemen and women of the 1st World War are cordially invited to attend a meeting to be held at the Canteen, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters at 6.30 p.m. on Monday 31st March, to elect Officers.

JOHN R. MITCHELL, Former Committee Member



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# CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAYS, BRITISH SECTION JOINT RAILWAYS TENDER BOARD.

## NOTICE

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate which should be clearly marked "Tender for Erection of 37 nos. of 2-8-0 Locomotives with tenders" will be received at the offices of the Kowloon Canton Railway, British Section, until 3.00 p.m. of Monday 31st March, 1947.

The locomotives with tenders will be required to be assembled on railway tracks at Hung Hom.

Full particulars may be obtained on application to the Mechanical Engineer, Kowloon Canton Railway Workshops, Hung Hom on the deposit of a fee of \$500.00 with the Chief Accountant of the Railway at the Head Office of the Kowloon Canton Railway, which will be refunded on the submission of a bona fide tender. The deposit receipt must be attached to the tender. The successful tenderer will be required to sign a formal contract and give security in the sum of \$3,000.00 in cash to be deposited with the Chief Accountant of the Railway for the faithful performance of the terms of such contract.

The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

J. B. TREVOR,  
Chairman,  
Railway Tender Board.  
Kowloon, 27th March, 1947.

# HARBOUR DEPARTMENT NOTICE

## DANGEROUS GOODS REGULATIONS 1946

It is hereby notified that qualified analytical chemists and other persons who desire to practice as "approved persons" within the meaning of Part 1 Para 2 (9) of the Dangerous Goods Regulations, 1946, are requested to register their names with the Principal Surveyor of Ships, Harbour Department. The applicants should give full particulars of their technical qualifications and provide complete details of the apparatus which they intend to use.

J. JOLLY,  
Harbour Master.  
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1947.

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# SALARIES COMMISSION

The Salaries Commission at its first meeting on 24th March, 1947, agreed to invite Heads of Government Departments, recognised Civil Service Associations, the Chambers of Commerce, commercial and industrial organisations and individual members of the Government Service or of the public to make such representations as they might think fit regarding the Government civil service in Hong Kong with reference to:

- (a) Salaries and all other forms of emoluments and allowances;
- (b) terms of leave, passages and medical treatment;
- (c) superannuation;
- (d) any other matters relevant to the enquiry now being made by the Commission under the terms of reference published in the press on 21st March, 1947.

In view of the need that the Commission's recommendations should be completed at the earliest possible date, organisations and persons are invited to submit a short statement on matters on which they wish to express views or to offer evidence; such representations should be forwarded to the Secretaries, Salaries Commission, Colonial Secretariat, Hong Kong, as soon as possible and in any case not later than 12th April, 1947.

P. C. M. SEDGWICK,  
I. S. WAN,  
Secretaries to the Salaries Commission,  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

# HARBOUR DEPARTMENT NOTICE

## Sale of the Water Boat Hung Lee No. 1

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate which should be clearly marked "Tenders for Purchase of the Water Boat Hung Lee No. 1" will be received at the Harbour Office until noon on Monday the 31st April, 1947.

1. The vessel will be sold as it lies in Yaumati Typhoon Shelter, and arrangements to view should be made direct with the Superintendent Engineer, Government Shipyard, Yaumati. (Telephone No. 53950).
2. The approximate dimensions are as follows:—

Length: 95.7'  
Breadth: 24.9'  
Depth: 10.4'  
Built: 1933  
Reg. Tons: 138.34  
Wood Construction.  
Machinery aft.  
Single Screw.  
Compound Steam Engine.

4. Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

(sd) J. JOLLY,  
Harbour Master.  
Harbour Department,  
Hong Kong, 24th March, 1947.

# TRIAL OF MAJOR GENERAL TANAKA RYOSABURO

ATTENTION H.K.V.D.C., ALL MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES or CIVILIANS present in HONG KONG at time of JAPANESE ATTACK

Information is required from any eye witness, by War Crimes Investigation Team, respecting the Japanese attack on:—

- (A) Repulse Bay, December 10-23, 1941;
- (B) Eucliffe, Repulse Bay, December 19-23, 1941.

In addition it would be appreciated if anyone having information respecting:

- (a) The bayonetting of wounded and/or captives on the Inland Road near the Lyon Light just west of Deep Water Bay anytime between December 18-25, 1941;
- (b) The bayonetting of captives and wounded at Over Bay or The Ridge, Repulse Bay Road south of Wong Nei Chong Gap, December 19-24, 1941;
- (c) The killing of captives and wounded at Sai Wan Hill and Salesian Mission, December 18-19, 1941;

would get in touch with War Crimes Investigation Team, Telephone 34048.

WAR CRIMES INVESTIGATION TEAM.  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

# MEDICAL DEPARTMENT Birth Certificates

Members of the public who applied for registration of births which occurred during the Japanese Occupation, are requested to call at the General Registry of Births and Deaths to sign the register.

2. A large number of birth certificates await collection, and it would be appreciated if applicants would call at the General Registry with receipts to collect their certificates.

P. S. SELWYN-CLARKE,  
Director of Medical Services.  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

# THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Easter Race Meeting to be held on Saturday and Monday, 5th and 7th April 1947 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday, 27th March 1947.

By Order,  
C. B. Brown  
Secretary.

# THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

## Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 6 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday, 29th March, 1947, at 3:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1946, and for the appointment of Auditors and declaration of dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from the 20th day of March to 29th March, 1947 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,  
D. S. YUAN,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 20th March, 1947.

# CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirteenth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Monday, the 31st day of March, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts as at 31st December, 1946, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to the 31st day of March, 1947 both days inclusive.

GEORGE Y. K. SUN,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 22nd March 1947.

# ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

Members now resident in the Colony are hereby notified that unless their names are registered with the Secretary by 1st April, 1947, they will be considered as having resigned from the Club and will lose all privileges and rights of membership.

Likewise, members returning to the Colony in the future will be required to register their names within one month of the date of their arrival in order to retain membership of the Club.

By order of the Committee,

D. W. MUNTUN,  
Secretary.  
Room 212, Windsor House.  
Phone. 32340.

# THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 21st April, 1947, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1946.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY, 8th April, 1947, to MONDAY, 21st April, 1947, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
B. C. FIELD,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1947.

# THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS PROPOSED ISSUE OF NEW SHARES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT it is the present intention of the Board of Directors of the above Company in accordance with the terms of the Special Resolution passed on the 25th day of May, 1923, to offer as soon as possible after the 21st day of April, 1947, 100,000 new shares of the nominal value of \$25.00 each being the present unissued capital of the Company (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of three shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the 21st day of April, 1947, are registered in the Company's share register as the holders of the 300,000 issued shares in the capital of the Company at a premium of \$25.00 per share and so that of the acceptance of the offer the nominal amount due in respect of each such new share plus the said premium of \$25.00 per share (making \$50.00 per share) shall be payable in full.

The offer will be made by Notice sent by post to each shareholder specifying the number of shares to which the shareholder is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted either on behalf of such shareholder or his nominee will be deemed to be declined.

The offer of new shares to shareholders whose registered address is in the Far East must be accepted on or before the 30th day of June, 1947, and the offer to shareholders registered as resident elsewhere must be accepted on or before the 30th day of September, 1947, and such new shares when allotted will rank for dividend as on and from the 1st day of July, 1947, and the 1st day of October, 1947, respectively.

Any of the shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid shall be disposed of in such manner and at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion see fit.

No shareholder shall be entitled to claim for a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd issued share held by him.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
B. C. FIELD,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

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# NOTICE

War Crimes desires to get in touch with Mr. J. MacDonald, formerly of 319 Lanchuk Road, Kowloon. The above-mentioned is believed to have been a member of the Royal Scots Regiment and was, during the war years, interned in Campa 19D, Tokyo, and 2B, Kawanakji, Japan.

Will anyone having knowledge of the whereabouts of Mr. J. MacDonald kindly communicate with Lt. C. C. Brett, War Crimes Investigation Unit, Hong Kong, Telephone No. 34048.

C. C. BRETT, Lt.,  
for Lt. Col.  
O.C. War Crimes  
Investigation Unit,  
Hong Kong,  
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1947.

# LAMBERT BROS.

Auctioneers, Surveyors and Appraisers.  
Pedder Building,  
Telephone No. 20224.

# PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday the 27th March 1947 commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Pedder Building, Basement.

150 LOTS OF SURPLUS ARMY WELFARE SPORTS GOODS & GENERAL STOCKS, comprising:—

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Chairman,  
British Stores Disposal Board  
(Hong Kong)

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Lot 11 Hatches buoy 11

Lot 12 Boards, wooden 11

Lot 13 Bertha stander type 86

Lot 14 Bertha stander type 24

Lot 15 Blocks single sheave assorted 40

Lot 16 Davis radial 3

Lot 17 Davis radial 25/20" 1

Lot 18 Lugs 11

Lot 19 Dippers water 61

Lot 20 Dippers water 11

Lot 21 Metal containers 21

Lot 22 Hooks cargo steel 3

Lot 23 Hooks cargo steel with eye 23

Lot 24 Hooks wire 2" dia. lengths various 3

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Lot 26 Kettles mess 109

Lot 27 Ladles wire & steel 4

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Sealed tenders together with deposit of H. K. \$1000.00 each for the vessel will be received up to 10.00 a.m. on 31st March 1947.

Kowloon Customs Office, Marina House,  
Hong Kong, 22nd March 1947.

# NOTICE

P. L. L. BIAU & C. C. KLUGE ARCHITECTS





## NEXT FLIGHT:

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The Treasurer's Office will close each day at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of times will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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# GERMAN PEACE TREATY PLAN U. S. Wants Whole German People To Be Responsible For Fulfilment

## The Lesson From World War I

### RELIEF FUND FOR BRITAIN

London, Mar. 26.  
The Government has given £1,000,000 to a fund which the Lord Mayor of London is to open for the relief of distress throughout the United Kingdom caused by floods.

Announcing this in the Commons today the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton said: "It must be the aim of all of us in the face of this latest trial, to do our utmost to help our fellow citizens and make good all the damage as soon as we can."—Reuter.

### UNRRA Ship Hits Mine.

Belgrade, Mar. 23.  
The UNRRA ship "St. Lawrence" carrying 6,500 tons of potatoes for the relief of starvation areas in Bosnia struck a mine within sight of the Dalmatian coast today. The vessel was heavily damaged and is reported to be in a sinking condition. It is not yet known whether there were any casualties.

The ship was on a voyage from Maine to the Dalmatian port of Sibenik. The "St. Lawrence" was one of three potato ships originally scheduled for Yugoslavia. The two other vessels were diverted to another country, reportedly Germany.—Reuter.

Moscow, Mar. 25.  
General Marshall (United States) today proposed that the whole German people be made responsible for the fulfilment of the German peace treaty by means of the incorporation of a pledge to abide by its provisions in the constitution ultimately submitted for Germany's approval.

General Marshall advanced the proposal at the Big Four session on the procedure to be followed in drafting the German treaty. He recalled that after World War I the Germans sought to blame the officials signing the peace treaty rather than accept and share the general blame.

M. Molotov opposed the plan, contending that the treaty must be signed by the German Government.

Today's discussion was devoted entirely to discussion on how to proceed in drafting the German treaty. The first division came over Albania, with Russia and France insisting on including it and the American and British opposing that country's participation.

There was general agreement that Iran should be added to the other 18 states which were not in the dispute and which were invited to present their views in January at the deputies' meeting at that time.

### RAF RECRUITING STOPPED

London, Mar. 25.  
Britain's fuel shortage has stopped recruiting to the Royal Air Force, it was stated today.  
"It is not considered reasonable to conscript boys from comfortable homes, and put them in training centres which are unheated and with no fuel to cook food," an RAF spokesman said.—Reuter.

## Wavell Returns

London, Mar. 25.  
Field Marshal Lord Wavell, retiring Viceroy of India, landed at the Northolt airport, near London, this afternoon from India.

Interviewed at the airport by Reuter, the retiring Viceroy said: "If I have been of any service to India in the last five years I shall be very proud because I owe India a great deal."

"I have handed over a final plan of reaching complete self-government to my successor and I shall naturally continue to watch with great interest and sympathy the progress of India. I am sure my successor will be able to help India in the final stages without disturbance so that we shall be able to complete our task to the best advantage of all inhabitants."

"I hope we shall hand over a United India, which will still maintain connections with the British Commonwealth. It has been a most interesting time, but it has been pretty hard work. I am quite sure that India will in the end come out well. I have great faith in the eventual progress of India, but she has some very hard and dangerous years to go through."

"In this last final stage she has the right man in my successor."—Reuter.

### Austrian Talks

The Austrian deputies made more progress today than in all their former sessions here. They set up a drafting committee to begin at once putting the treaty in shape for a report to the Foreign Ministers on Saturday.

They agreed to take up the difficult economic articles tomorrow.

The Soviets also promised to submit their proposal on displaced persons in Austria, another point of difference between the East and West.

Gusev said the Soviet paper on the subject was in two parts: 1. To deal with evacuation from Austria of persons of German origin.

2. To pose an undertaking to complete evacuation of all displaced persons within six months after the treaty has been in force.—United Press.

### BELGIUM AND KING LEOPOLD

Brussels, Mar. 25.  
M. Spaak, the new Belgian Premier, declared today in Parliament that neither the Catholic nor the Socialist parties was prepared to abandon its stand on the return of King Leopold.

"The Royal Question cannot be resolved at present but the Government is conscious that it must foster agreement among the parties to arrive at a solution in accordance with the national constitution," he said.—Reuter.

warehouses, theatres, large stores and blocks of flats.  
If the Estate Registry records are any criterion, the Russians have really moved in for a long stay, adds the correspondent.—Reuter.

## Russians Buying Up Central Berlin

Berlin, Mar. 25.

A study of the real estate registry here disclosed today that the Soviet Union, through its manifold subsidiaries has become the largest single property owner in Berlin, says the "Chicago Tribune" correspondent, John Thompson.

Using German marks, which cost them nothing, the Russians have invested heavily in sumptuous villas, but their principal interest is in income-producing properties.

Two of the most recent real estate transactions, which began last summer, list as the new Soviet owners the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Trade; the Soviet Film Company Sojuzkino; the Soviet-German Transportation Company, incorporated in Berlin last March with ten million marks capital; the Soviet-German Naphtha, Ltd., with twenty million marks capital.

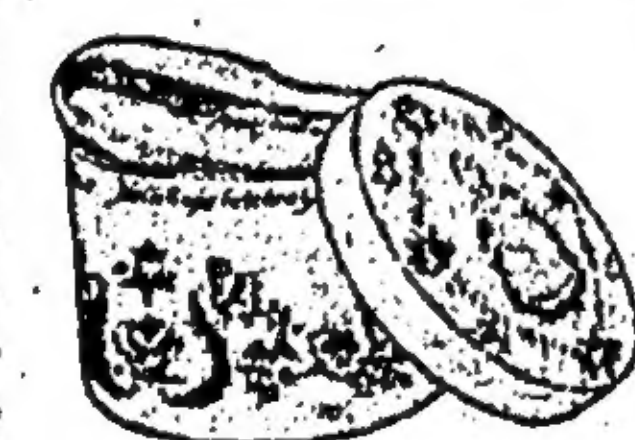
The Guaranty and Credit Bank, organized with Russian capital, appears in many deals as the dummy for the Russian buyers.

Forty-five per cent of the buildings bought by the Russians are in the centre of the town. Next in importance is the Weissensee, the location of fourteen big Soviet stock corporations which now own forty per cent of all industry in the Soviet zone.

### NKVD Hqs.

Among the buildings purchased by the Communists are the Guaranty and Credit Bank on Jaeger Street, the Russian Control Council house on Insel Street, which shelters the Soviet Military Headquarters, and a huge house on Linden Street where the NKVD (Soviet secret police) has headquarters.

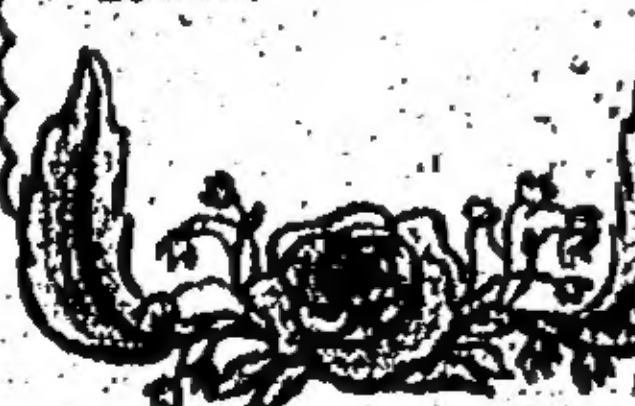
A large number of undamaged houses on Berlin's famous Friedrich Street are also now Soviet property, and in the Karlshorst, seat of the Soviet Military Government, scores of large villas and houses have been purchased by the Russians. In addition, there are new Russian owners for scores of



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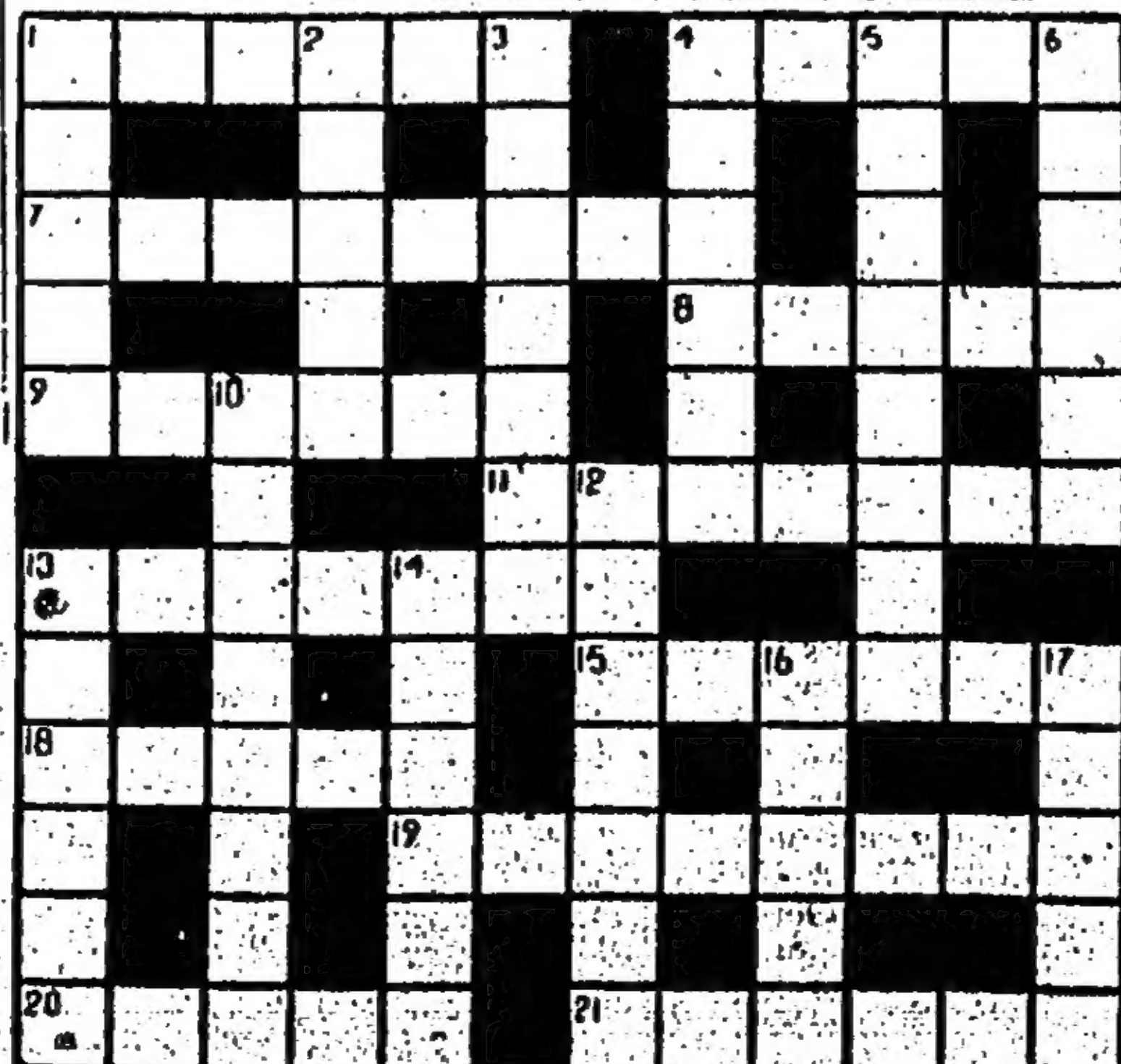
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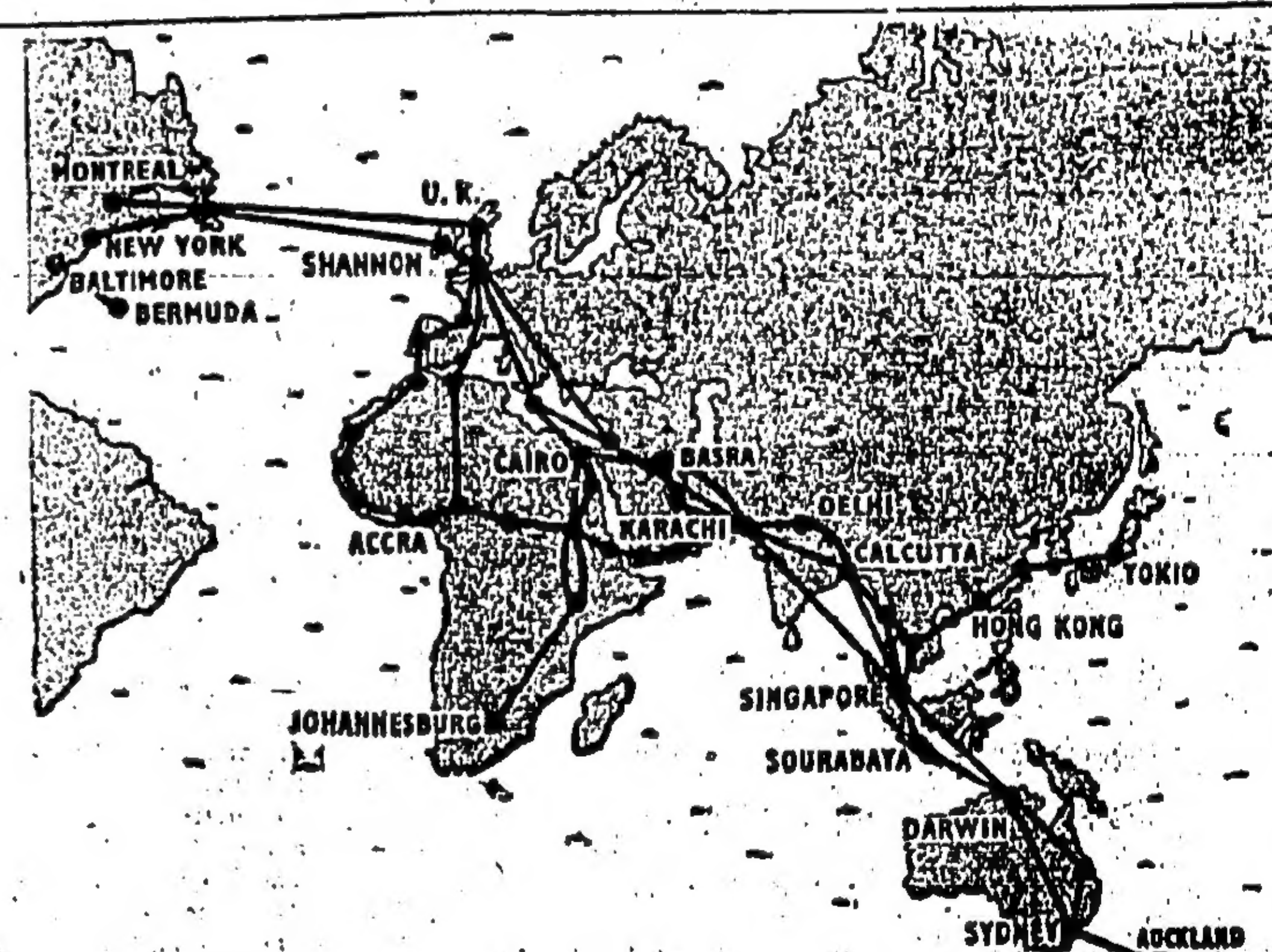
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## TRUMAN REPLEDGES FAITH IN THE UNO

Washington, Mar. 26. President Truman today repudiated full faith in the United Nations in an obvious reply to the critics who complained that his administration was damaging United Nations prestige by by-passing it in favour of single-handed aid to Greece and Turkey.

In a message to Secretary-General Trygve Lie on the first anniversary of the initial United Nations meeting in the United States, the President said the American people "believe in the future of the United Nations with a firm conviction."

Mr. Truman added: "The United States in all its acts seeks to add strength to the United Nations and to give effect to the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter."

This development followed an announcement by Warren Austin, United States representative to the United Nations, that he will give the world peace-making organization a statement on Friday on the Greek-Turkish situation.

One of the main issues in the administration play to bolster the Greek and Turkish governments against Communism is: Does the United States propose thereby to disregard the processes of the United Nations?

With that as a background, Austin called on the President on Tuesday. Later he revealed his plan to make a statement before the Security Council in New York on Friday.

"It will deal thoroughly with the item in our Security Council business which relates to the disturbance on the northern borders of Greece," he said.

He said it also will cover the Turkish situation.—Associated Press.

**"Take The Lead"**

Other highlights in foreign policy today included a statement by Senator Walter George (Democrat, Georgia), in obvious reference to Russia, that the United States must adopt a "positive" foreign policy everywhere and "take the lead in throwing up barriers against expanding powers."

Senators Claude Pepper and Glen Taylor denounced the administration plan as a step toward war.

The U.S. Ambassador to Greece, Mr. MacVeagh, gave the House Committee a confidential report on Greece which the chairman said afterward made him more favourable to the administration programme.

The President's programme was attacked by a delegation of members of the New York City Chapter of the Congress of American Women.—United Press.

## No Immediate Danger Of War

Washington, Mar. 26. General Eisenhower, the U.S. Chief of Staff, declared today: "There is no immediate danger of a deliberately provoked war."

He repeated twice the statement he made in the same words when he was visiting Europe last year, "there is no nation in the world today which would deliberately provoke a global war."

He described the recent incidents in Venezuela, Greece, the province surrounding Trieste, as "undesirable things."

He said the United States in its armed services must keep abreast of the rest of the world and if possible ahead of them. Air forces today occupied the dominant position in war. An air force was the only immediate thing for retaliation if someone tried to attack the U.S.—Reuter.

## Couldn't Get On With Her In-Laws

Southampton, Mar. 26. The immigration authorities kept Mrs. Susanna Davis, shapely 22-year-old stowaway, aboard the "Aquitania" tonight while they checked her story about running away from her in-laws in Nova Scotia to reach her ex-serviceman husband, who is reportedly still in Scotland.

Mrs. Davis said she sneaked aboard the Cunard liner at Halifax to return to England. Her husband sent her to Canada ahead of him but she could not get along with his parents, she said.—United Press.

Wuppertal, Mar. 26. General Blumentritt, Field Marshal von Rundstedt's former chief of staff, was acquitted today of war crimes charges by a British military court here. The prosecutor said there was not sufficient proof to support the allegations.—Reuter.

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"SIANTUNG" Tainan, Hong Kong, Haiphong, Peking & Hainan 4th Apr.  
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**China's Profits From Ex-Jap Cotton Mills**

Shanghai, Mar. 25.  
Thirty-eight former Japanese cotton mills totalling 1,758,480 yarn spindles, 330,256 thread spindles and 38,591 looms yielded to the Chinese Government a net profit of CN\$1,000,000,000 (about US\$83,400,000) during the past year, according to the Government-owned China Textile Industries Corporation which is operating these mills.

The CTC said the reported profit included CN\$80,000,000 sent to the National Treasury in cash as well as accounts receivable for yarn and cloth for military use amounting to CN\$100,000,000.

It was pointed out that part of the net profit represented the current value of yarns, raw cotton, cloth and other materials now on hand.

The report also disclosed that the Corporation earned \$2,000,000 by exports to Hong Kong and predicted if ten per cent of the current annual production were exported to former Japanese markets in Far Eastern countries the Corporation can earn for the Government foreign credits amounting to US\$75,000,000 to US\$100,000,000.

High Efficiency

The report pointed to the high efficiency with which the Corporation operated the mills, saying private mills averaged 250 labourers and 14 clericals for each 10,000 spindles compared to the Corporation's 202 labourers and nine clericals.

Eighteen of these confiscated Japanese mills are located in Shanghai, eight in Tientsin, seven in Tientsin and five in Manchuria.

The Corporation is one of several Government-operated concerns which have been subjected to heavy attacks by the political enemies of Dr. T. V. Soong, ex-Premier and "father" of these state-owned firms.

The report, showing a huge profit, was significantly released at a time when the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee voted for a survey into state monopolistic enterprises.

United Press.

**N.Y. Stock Market**

New York, Mar. 26.

The stock market continued to box down, although pressure on the whole remained relatively light. Declines of fractions to around two points predominated at the close. Transfers were 669,000 shares. Among leaders were Dow Chemical, Allied Chemical, Owens Illinois, and Schenck.

Gainers included Texas Company, and Norfolk and Western.

The Dow Jones average: Stocks 62.93, 20 Industrials 175.29, 15 Rails 48.28, 10 Utilities 35.50.

Bonds were spotty. Among curb market leaders were Valspar and St. Regis Paper.

Closing stock market quotations:-

Atlantic Express 15 1/2, Alaska Juneau 5 1/2, American Can 9 1/2, American Smelting 6 1/2, American Telephone 16 1/2, American Tobacco 20 1/2, American Waterworks 17 1/2, Anaconda Copper 35 1/2, Aviaton Corporation 6 1/2, Baldwin Locomotive 2 1/2, Barnard 2 1/2, Benz 4 1/2, Aviation 23, Bethlehem Steel 26, Borden Aircraft 21, Borden Co. 42 1/2, Canadian Pacific 12 1/2, J. I. Case 36 1/2, Chrysler 9 1/2, Colgate 50, Commercial Solvents 2 1/2, Corn Products 67, Dupont 18 1/2, Eastman Kodak 24 1/2, Electric Light &amp; Power 15 1/2, General Electric 35 1/2, General Motors 6 1/2, Goodrich 65, Goodyear 55, Greyhound 80 1/2, Homestake Mining 40 1/2, International Harvester 34, International Paper 46, International Tel. &amp; Tel. 14, Johns Manville 12 1/2, Kennecott Copper 46 1/2, Montgomery Ward 5 1/2, National Distillers 19, National Lead 3 1/2, New York Central 17 1/2, Packard Motors 6 1/2, Pan American Airways 13 1/2, Pennsylvania RR 2 1/2, Radio Corporation 8 1/2, Republic Steel 27 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco 40 1/2, Schenck 18 1/2, Sears Roebuck 5 1/2, Shell Oil 27, Southern Vacuum 14 1/2, Southern Pacific 10 1/2, Standard Brands 8 1/2, Standard Oil 6 1/2, Calif 5 1/2, Standard Oil of N.J. 6 1/2, Studebaker 20 1/2, Union Bag 20 1/2, Union Carbide 9 1/2, U.S. Rubber 31 1/2, U.S. Steel 7 1/2, Westinghouse 25 1/2, Youngstown Sheet &amp; Tube 6 1/2, Associated Press.

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Vatican City, Mar. 25.

Pope Plus XII today conferred the honorary title of Papal Count upon Juvenal Marchisio, New York judge and noted Italo-American, for his work as President of the American Relief for Italy-United Press.

New York Exchanges

New York, Mar. 25.

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## RITUAL MURDER CASE FURORE

London, Mar. 25. In an effort to save the lives of the two remaining West Africans whose three companions were hanged for ritual murder, court records of habeas corpus proceedings are being sent from Accra, Gold Coast, to London.

## Infatuated With A Dancer

London, Mar. 26. Judge Willes granted a divorce on Tuesday to Mrs. Lucy Butterworth against her husband, Captain George Butterworth, of the 21st Army Group, Brussels, and said that Captain Butterworth had become so infatuated with a Belgian dancer that he wanted to change his nationality to hers.

## Missed The Boat

Lo Kuan, 18, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour and ordered to be expelled from the Colony by Mr. Sainsbury at Central yesterday for stealing clothing from Li Chun and Cheung Lam at the Vehicular Ferry Wharf.

## RED AN ANATHEMA TO BRITONS?

London, Mar. 25. The War Secretary, Mr. Belenger, told the House of Commons today that the colour red would not be used for the new dress uniforms of British infantry because the colour "would not appeal to public opinion."

## JAPS. HANG

Singapore, Mar. 26. Five Japanese officers were hanged today at Changi Prison under sentence for abuse of prisoners of the Burma-Siam "death railway." They were Col. Shigeo Nakamura, Col. Tameo Shiga, Major Rikuo Kokayashi, Capt. Mitsunori Yajima and Capt. T. Goto.

## SELL-OUT

Kannan City, Mar. 26. Transworld Airline announced today it is negotiating the sale of 17 per cent of its stock in Philippine Air Lines, which Transworld first acquired as a feeder system.

## Australia Not Taken In By Japan

Canberra, Mar. 26. A warning that there were "most disturbing" political trends in Japan was given in the Commonwealth House of Representatives today by Dr. Herbert Evatt, Minister for External Affairs.

## Milch Trial Nears Close

Nuernberg, Mar. 26. Field Marshal Erhard Milch will be sentenced by an American war crimes tribunal on April 8, the court announced today.

## Soviet Gives Way On Dairen

Washington, Mar. 26. Russia has notified the United States that she is ready to take "appropriate steps" to carry out an agreement to give China the control of the Manchurian port of Dairen, the State Department announced today.

## PARIS PROTEST

Paris, Mar. 25. An estimated 200,000 Parisians quit work for two hours early today and joined in a mass demonstration against American aid to Greece, which the speakers denounced as imperialistic and having a Fascist tone.

## CHINA PROTEST

Nanking, Mar. 26. It was reliably learned today that China has protested to France against a committee of the United Nations set up to investigate the situation in China.

## GRUNER PETITION REJECTED

London, Mar. 26. The Privy Council's judicial committee today dismissed a petition to permit Dov Gruner, Palestine Jewish extremist, to appeal against the death sentence.

## Batavia Celebrates Agreement

Batavia, Mar. 26. Red and white Indonesian flags, and red, white and blue Dutch ones fluttered peacefully from buildings here today as Batavia celebrated the Linggadjati agreement signed yesterday between the Indonesian Republic and the Dutch Commission-General.

## Wot, No Red Herrings?

London, Mar. 25. The Food Minister, Mr. Strachey, announced today that Britain had completed a new food contract with Russia under which the Soviets would supply 10,000,000 tons of canned salmon and 2,500,000 tons of canned crab.

## No Change In Palestine

London, Mar. 26. The British Government plans no alteration in the administration of Palestine before the United Nations takes up the issue.

## RUSSIA INVOKES THE VETO AGAIN

Lake Success, Mar. 26. Soviet Russia invoked the veto in the United Nations Security Council today to block a majority decision upholding Britain's mining charges against Albania.

## SEVEN IN FAVOUR

Seven countries voted in favour, Russia and Poland against. Votes in support of the finding were given by the United States, Australia, Belgium, China, Colombia, and France.

## RESURGENCE OF NAZISM

Herford, Mar. 25. Sir Sholto Douglas, British Zone commander, in a report today said the hard German winter had brought a resurgence of Nazism and "there is no doubt that they would be better off under Hitler."

## Commando Cup Final: Drawn Game

The leading Service team in the First Division until their recent resignation, 45 Cdo. had to fight hard to earn a replay with Second Division eleven, HQ 3 Cdo Bde. The teams met yesterday at Chatham-road in the inter-Commando cup final and drew 1-1 after extra time.

## Tsui Brothers Win Tennis Match

The Men's Doubles Tennis championship has now reached a very interesting stage and yesterday another big crowd saw the Tsui brothers beat their clubmates, Lee Wai-tong and L. C. Kotewall easily. G. Cho and L. C. Kotewall had a surprisingly easy win over B. C. Fay and M. Pagh.

## Today's Games

The following are today's games: Capt. R. Baxter and Lt. Col. M. C. D. Reynolds v. Lau King and M. Ma. B. T. Ma, C. Jones and F. R. Zimmerman v. Yip Koon-hong and Paul Kong. Tsui Wai-pul and Tsui Yan-pul v. T. P. Fan and Eric Y. W. Lee. G. Cho and L. C. Kotewall v. Ho Ka-lau and F. W. Kwok.

## CUP ELEVEN

The following are the teams for the 11th of the Governor's Cup competition which will be played at Caroline Hill on Sunday: Association: Powell, Forlow and Dear; Anderson, Alroson and Sheppard (27 R.A.F.). B. T. Gosnell (Capt.), Sullivan, Ever, Millon and Ford.

## GRAND NATIONAL

The Racing Stewards announced that the Grand National will be run over the regulation Aintree course on Saturday and that, none of the 32 jumps will be eliminated.

## RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m. and 8.30 to 11.00 p.m. and also on 2.55 megacycles in the 1st main band from 12.30 to 1.15, 6.30 to 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

## BIG POOLS WIN

Aberdeen, Mar. 26. Edward Cross joined the ranks of eligible young bachelors today as winner of the largest penny soccer pool in the annals of betting.

## RATIONING OVER

Capetown, Mar. 26. South Africa's food position has improved sufficiently to make consumer rationing unnecessary. The Government has decided, therefore, to abandon coupon and card rationing schemes for foodstuffs and the registration of consumers.